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## The Kremlin at Your Doorstep

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THE SENATE Internal Security Sub-Committee, which has specialized in Communist subversion for the better part of two decades, must have been listening, tongue-in-cheek, to the earth-shaking revelations of General Charles P. Cabell (A.F.), deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency, on the subject of the "red offensive in Latin America." As far as this particular committee was concerned, the whole range of International Communism has long been covered in its voluminous "Hearings" and in those of its sister organization, the superbly managed House Un-American Activities Committee. This is an interesting case of a federal functionary discovering "new worlds" (and getting quite excited over them), when actually these worlds were only new to them—and an old, old story to battle-scarred veterans of the anti-Communist front. However, the General ventured one

"definition" that should become a negative classic: ". . . [Castro] represents leadership of a nationalistic, bourgeois-democratic revolution which preceded a Communist rise in power. . . ." Just what is a "bourgeois-democratic revolution?" Is Bolshevism the prototype? Or the takeover in Czechoslovakia? Or the "peoples courts" in Batavia and Soerabaja? Or the bloodbath of the regicides of Baghdad? There is one common element: The sickness of the West since Robespierre and Bakunin, a perennial, indestructible Jacobinism that grows on error, assassination and savagery. It has been observed many times since the great Western powers toyed with suicide in 1914-1918. Even then, they dimly perceived the lethal, corrosive menace and attempted to isolate Bolshevik Russia through a hastily conceived "cordon sanitaire" (1920) — that has been turned on them and is now known as the Iron Curtain.